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# **1999 UNDERGRADUATE BALLOT**

## SUA OFFICER ELECTION STUDENT UNION ASSEMBLY (SUA) CHAIR UC STUDENT ASSOCIATION (UCSA) REPRESENTATIVE LOBBY CORPS DIRECTOR CAMPUS ORGANIZING DIRECTOR

All four officer positions require a 25-30 hour per week commitment, and they are all voting members of the Student Union Assembly. Terms begin July 1, 1999 and end June 30, 2000. Officers receive stipends that are equivalent to UCSC (resident) student fees (less health insurance) for the 1999-2000 academic year.

## Student Union Assembly (SUA) Chair - Position Description

The Student Union Assembly is the official voice of the undergraduate students at UCSC. The SUA meets weekly (Wednesday evenings) - generally from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. The Chair convenes the SUA, schedules meetings, formulates agendas, and distributes the minutes from the meetings in a timely manner. The SUA Chair will serve on a number of campus-wide committees, meet regularly with senior campus officials (Chancellor, Vice Chancellors, etc.), as well as with other members of the university administration, faculty, and staff. The SUA Chair will represent UCSC at system-wide Council of Presidents meetings, and participate in the selection of the Student Regent.

## Maria Catalina Statement of Purpose

The quality of student life is something I think about all the time. These moments in our matriculation will last longer than a lifetime as the benefits of our educational experience cascade down the generations. Why is it so difficult to enjoy what should be one of the most memorable times of our life?

As Student Union Assembly Chairperson, I would offer new and invigorating visions for bringing the students of this university into our future. Key points of this platform include issues of retention and pre-graduate advising, about which we could speak volumes. My ideas are based on five years of experience as and undergraduate living on this campus and the many volunteer activities I have been, and continue to be involved in surrounding an enhanced sense of cross discipline and cross cultural understanding within our student community and the end administration.

UCSC gave me the opportunity to pursue my vision of being a research scientist, a vision I once held only as a dream. It is in the spirit of reciprocity, something I learned as a Native American, that I wish to express my gratitude in the form of service to my community as the voice for your concerns.

## Dylan Smith Statement of Purpose for SUA Chair

Over the past year, I have been heavily involved in the Student Union Assembly of U.C. Santa Cruz. As a representative of Porter College to the SUA and an Intern with the Student Lobby Corps, I have been given the opportunity to make positive change on campus and advocate for the concerns of the

student body. I was fortunate to represent U.C. Santa Cruz at a National Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. and Lobby on behalf of Santa Cruz Students to Senator Barbara Boxer's office to roll back student fees and increase Pell Grant Funding for Students. I believe these experiences have prepared me to lead the SUA in the 1999-2000 school year. We have many outstanding opportunities ahead of us. I need your vote to make them be realized. I you want to see a more visible student government, a more involved student body and dynamic forum where your concerns can be openly voiced and acted upon, then vote DYLAN SMITH for SUA Chair.

## Kirti Srivastava Statement of Purpose for SUA Chair

My purpose in assisting the SUA is no different than my purpose and duty as a sister, friend, student and even further human being. The most important skill I can bring to this position is to fully be all the things that I already am. My duty is to understand the struggles of others and to share stories to further form a community focusing on students who need a voice to be heard throughout the UC system or even to the UCSC administration. The true activist/leader begins with personalizing themselves and others with the struggles in society.

I realize the importance to form community and understanding not only through politics, but through human interaction. The work that I have done, whether it be teaching bilingual education in the inner city, heading community service projects, or performing for social justice, the need lies in understanding. I would like this position because of my serious dedication to form community and the understanding of human struggle. From all of my past teaching, volunteer and grass roots experiences, I have attained and am working on attaining one important goal: the necessity and ability to be quiet and listen to others.

## Student Union Assembly Chair Candidates (vote for one)

Maria Catalina Dylan Smith Kirti Srivastava

## UC Student Association (UCSA) Representative -Position Description

The University of California Student Association is the officially recognized voice of UC students on a system-wide level. The UCSA board is comprised of a graduate and an undergraduate representative from each of the nine UC campuses and the Hastings School of Law. The UCSA representative will help set UCSA policy and will join one of UCSA's Standing Committees: Student Life and concerns, Fees and Financial Aid, Academic Affairs, or Affirmative Action. The UCSA Board meetings take place approximately once a month (usually on a weekend) at one of the UC campuses. The UCSA Representative will represent UCSC and the SUA at all UCSA board and committee meetings. The UCSA representative also works closely with the Campus Organizing Director (COD).

## Kenneth S. Burch Statement of Purpose for UCSA Representative

Since I first came to Santa Cruz, I have been concerned about how unaffordable UCSC is to a large portion of its students. In order for the UC system to really be an institution of higher learning, it has to be open to all the persons of California who are qualified to receive such an education. Yet being poor does not make one unqualified and therefore I believe UC system needs to reduce its fees to bring our education back to an affordable level. Fees have gotten to this level because as students we are constantly being forced to find new ways to make sure the administration and the legislature takes our concerns into consideration when they make their decisions. Through my recent experience as UCSA representative for Santa Cruz, I have found that UCSA is one of the few ways students have left to make sure our voices our heard. I want to continue the work I have been doing this quarter on fees, infrastructure and education equity to ensure that we are not forgotten, and therefore I am running for UCSA representative for next year.

## Christopher J. Le Mon Statement of Purpose for UCSA Representative

A rift exists between students at the University of California and members of the communities where we earn our diplomas. As the representative from UCSC to the UCSA, I will advance further community involvement by student. Only through interaction between students and the community can an education be complete.

I would propose instituting a 100-hour community service requirement for graduation from the University of California, beginning with the incoming class of 2000-2001. Service would have to be done within the community where ones UC is located. While the figure of one hundred hours may seem looming at first, it really is not: one need spend *less than one hour per week over twelve quarters*.

Further interaction also provides university outreach to youth who otherwise might receive it. I have been tutoring at-risk and low income youth in the Monterey area for nearly two years now. Amid questions of "what is college like?" and "Will I be able to go?" I manage to help them with their homework, but the most critical assistance I can offer is my presence. Too often those outside the beaten path of the university feel forgotten. Our charge is to ensure that they do not lose hope.

#### UC Student Association (UCSA) Representative Candidates (vote for one) Kenneth S. Burch

Christopher J. Le Mon

## **Lobby Corps Director - Position Description**

The Lobby Corps director coordinates both the student lobby at UCSC, as well as the City/Student Liaison Office. The Lobby corps Director is responsible for keeping track of legislation on the federal, state, and local level that is of interest to students. The director is also responsible for informing and mobilizing students on these issues, for organizing and participating in lobby days in Sacramento and Washington, meeting regularly with federal, state, and local elected officials to discuss issues of importance to students. The lobby Corps Director takes on primary responsibility for organizing a voter registration drive at the start of each year, coordinating voter education, and "Get Out the Vote" efforts.

## Carolyn Boyd Statement of Purpose for Lobby Corps Director

My name is Carolyn Boyd and I am a junior Politics/ Sociology student. I am running for Lobby Corps Director. The Lobby Corps Director position is responsible for tracking legislation, organizing meeting with elected officials and informing the student population about issues of importance. I am extremely interested in the political process and if elected would pursue my position as Lobby Corps enthusiastically. I have gained valuable organization and networking experience as a coordinator at the Student Volunteer Connection. My position as SVC Co-coordinator requires a great deal of self-motivation, which I would readily apply to my new position I would be particularly interested in tracking legislation that would affect diversity among the student population, whether concerning programs like EOP or the cost of tuition. I believe I am capable of addressing the needs of students and I am excellent candidate for the position.

## Daniel Lazo Statement of Purpose for Lobby Corps Director

Through interactions with students all over the UCSC campus, I have noticed that the SUA is not very visible, and a lot of student don't know that there is a space for them where they can express their concern, and actually expect some kind of action to be taken. This is unacceptable. The SUA is supposed to work for students, and the fact that some students don't even know the SUA exists is very

disturbing to me. As an SUA officer I intend to make the SUA more visible across campus, so those students have more say on the decisions that affect their lives in this university. As Lobby Corps Director, I will do as much as I can to inform students of the laws and legislation that concern them so that some type of action can be taken if necessary. I will also advocate in favor of students in the local, state, and federal level, and make sure that politicians and policy makers recognize student votes and students' power. With the new Governor of California in office, I feel that this is a good time for some real changes to occur, and I intend to make sure that student voices are heard.

## Patrick McHugh Statement of Purpose for Lobby Corps Director

It is incumbent upon the SUA to strive to increase the level and productivity of activism at UCSC. As Lobby Corps Director I would make this endeavor my primary objective. This effort must firstly take the form of making students more aware of our many excellent, politically active student groups. Informed students will be much more likely to become involved. Another method of making student voices heard more loudly is through more effective networking. Student activist groups must be constantly in touch with one another so that common goals can be realized and pursued. Furthermore, student influence can be enhanced through more interactions with the rest of the community. As such I would advocate that a 100-hour community service requirement be instituted for incoming freshpersons. This breaks down to merely 1 hour per week, but would have an enormously positive effect on our community as well as constituting a valuable adjunct to a university education. Finally, it would foster a working relationship between students and the surrounding area that would be in place when a debate involving students arose. These three blocks are the cornerstones of building the activist student base so sorely needed at UCSC.

#### Lobby Corps Director Candidates (vote for one)

Carolyn Boyd Daniel Lazo Patrick McHugh

## **Campus Organizing Director (COD) - Position Description**

The COD is the primary organizer for both SUA campaigns and campus-based UCSA campaigns. The COD will be responsible for doing grassroots organizing and outreach regarding both campus and system-wide issues. This might involve putting on an event (such as a rally), organizing a letter writing campaign, or putting on a press conference. The COD is responsible for maintain contact between the SUA and campus-wide student organizations, student representatives on campus-wide committees, and the student body as a whole. The COD takes on primary responsibility for \*omitted\* recruiting people to go to system-wide conferences. The COD also attends monthly UCSA meetings where CODs from all the other UC campuses will work together to come up with system-wide campaigns and strategies. The COD works closely with the UCSA Representative.

## Eric Gonzalez Statement of Purpose for Campus Organizing Director

"Making a difference." The saying, I believe, reflects highly of what my goal is for any job I partake in. There is no greater satisfaction then that of knowing you have made a difference not only in your own life, but in others who might not even know it. Having been the Campus Organizing Director for just a quarter and a half and a first-year student, I have had the opportunity to partake in some incredible projects and meeting amazing people. I was absolutely stunned at all the opportunities that were opening up for me. One of which I could never forget. I, along with fellow UCSC students and students all over, went to Washington DC and lobbied congress for more money for students in higher education. When we had left, I realized that we had all made a huge difference! Not only for us but for every student all across the nation and even students who are just barely thinking of college. I can't even describe the feeling. So, To the students of UCSC, will you allow me the opportunity the continue making a difference on behalf of campus, for an entire academic year? Can I count on your vote?

**Campus Organizing Director Candidates (vote for one)** Eric Gonzalez

# Measures

#### MEASURE A THEATER ARTS PRODUCTIONS

- New Undergraduate Compulsory Fee: \$2.00quarter (\$6/year).
- Fee Begins: Fall Quarter 1999, permanent fee (no ending date).
- This question was approved for placement on the undergraduate ballot by resolution of the Student Union Assembly (SUA).
- If approved, this fee would generate approximately \$57,977 in 1999-2000.

#### **MEASURE A QUESTION**

Shall undergraduate students establish a \$2.00 per quarter fee, effective Fall 1999, which would allow the Theater Arts Department to drop the current undergraduate admission charge to all productions (approximately 15-20 productions per year) sponsored solely by the Theater Arts Department?

Yes

No

#### MEASURE A BALLOT STATEMENT

- Funds would be used to (1) subsidize Theater Arts Department-related ticket office costs; (2) replace income formerly generated from undergraduate student ticket sales; and (3) create a budget for student productions to be allocated by a Theater Arts Fee Committee.
- No portion of this fee would be used for Theater Arts Department or Arts Division administrative costs.
- Productions or events that are co-sponsored by the Theater Arts Department with other entities may still charge admission.

#### The Fee:

A portion of this fee will subsidize ticket office costs, as well as replace income formerly generated by undergraduate ticket sales. After annual "free" ticket costs have been calculated and reimbursed to the Theater Arts Department, the remainder of this fee will be allotted to the Theater Arts Fee Committee, an ICSA-appointed student majority board. The Theater Arts Fee Committee will allocate all the remaining funds to student productions. The Theater Arts Fee Committee will oversee the quarterly distribution of all funds generated by this fee.

#### The Productions:

Productions solely sponsored by the Theater Arts Department include student- and faculty-directed theater and dance. A large number of students are involved in each production, as performers, directors, designers, managers, publicists, etc. Many students are required to attend performances for classes in the arts and humanities as well as core courses. An average season presents 15-20 separate productions during the year. Ticket sale policies for productions that are co-sponsored by the Theater Arts Department with other entities will remain at the discretion of the other entity.

Theater Arts Department productions would be "free" to UC Santa Cruz undergraduate students without any charge or ticket office surcharges as long as seats are available. The campus Ticket Office, using standard ticket sales distribution methods, would issue these "free" tickets.

## **PRO/CON Statements for Measure A**

#### Pro:

Measure A will ensure accessibility to the Arts, by allowing all students to see all Theatre Arts

productions for free. It will also increase funding for alternative student produced performances through a student-controlled committee. This measure will allow more students to see the arts AND participate in them, while promoting non-traditional, student initiated performances. SAVE THE ARTS, VOTE YES ON MEASURE A! Submitted by: Kenny Burch - Crown College

#### Con:

This measure only benefits a select group of students. Not all students will be able to attend even one production because there are simply not enough seats. The excess money generated by this fee will be controlled by a board with no accountability to the student body. Submitted by: Ben Faber - Kresge College

#### MEASURE B EAST-WEST PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES

- New Graduate and Undergraduate Compulsory Fee: \$3.50/quarter (\$10.50/year).
- Fee begins Fall Quarter 1999 and ends when long-term loan is paid in full, estimated to be 2028-29.
- This question was approved for placement on the undergraduate ballot by resolution of the Student Union Assembly (SUA), and on the graduate student ballot by resolution of the Graduate Student Association (GSA).
- If approved, this fee would generate approximately \$111,646 in 1999-2000.

#### **MEASURE B QUESTION**

"Does the student body approve a quarterly fee of \$3.50/per quarter, effective Fall 1999, for the construction of two pedestrian bridges between the East Field House and the Student Center to facilitate east-west pedestrian traffic?"

Yes

No

#### **MEASURE B BALLOT STATEMENT**

This fee will be used to pay for the construction of two new pedestrian bridges. Assuming a satisfactory environmental review, these bridges would be completed by Summer 2001, and will span the two canyons between the Student Center and the East Field House. These new bridges will significantly improve student pedestrian and bicycle access between the eastside of campus (i.e., the vicinity of the East Field House and the East Remote parking lot), the central campus core (McHenry Library, the Student Center, and the Performing Arts and Music facilities), and the West Colleges. These two new pedestrian bridges will promote the use and convenience of the East Remote parking lot, substantially increase foot-traffic access to the Student Center and the East Fieldhouse, and promote pollution-free cross-campus circulation.

Total fees assessed to students will not exceed total design, construction, financing and maintenance costs of the project. Total project cost is estimated to be \$1,442,000 (\$1,214,000 from long-term loan and \$228,000 from fees collected during design and construction). If for some reason this project is unable to go forward, this fee will be discontinued immediately. If, due to increased enrollments, fees collected exceed the actual amount needed for the project, any excess funds will be allocated to other student-fee supported programs as recommended by the Student Fee Advisory Committee.

Long-term Loan Amount: \$1,214,000 Interest Rate: 6.5% Loan Duration: 27 years Regental Debt Service Guarantee: 25%

# **PRO/CON Statements for Measure B**

#### Pro:

Imagine getting off a bus at the East Field House and walking a few minutes to the central campus core, 5 minutes to Porter, Oakes and College Eight. A bridge would provide convenient and quick access for cross campus pedestrians. A pedestrian bridge between the East Field and the Student